

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM 'ÕNAEHANA KULANUI O HAWAI'I

Legislative Testimony Hōʻike Manaʻo I Mua O Ka ʻAhaʻōlelo

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HB 874 HD1 – RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Chair Perruso, Vice Chair Kapela, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on HB 874 HD1, which establishes a collective bargaining unit for graduate assistants employed by the University of Hawai'i and community college system.

The University of Hawai'i (UH) has had ongoing discussions with the graduate students regarding this issue and UH is deliberately not taking a position on this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments on this measure.